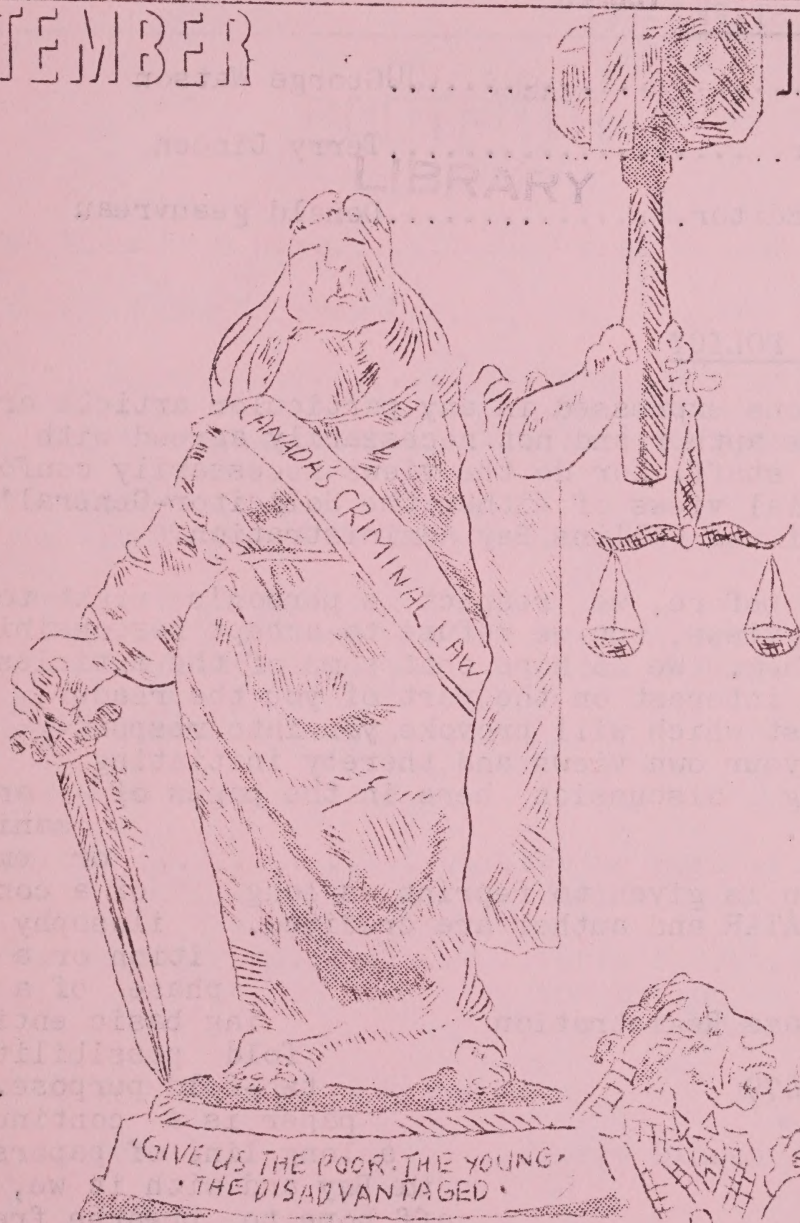


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# The VIEW From HERE

by  
George  
Watson

A high-ranking penitentiary official has termed the idea of a prisoners' union as "ridiculous". He stated that a study had been made of Swedish and other prisons where the prisoners are permitted unions and his conclusions are that Canadian prisoners are treated better and have different problems. He said we have Inmate Committees and can write to MP's, the Solicitor General or Inger Hansen to help us with our problems.

He neglected to say that Inmate Committees (where they are allowed) have no powers or that an inmate is better off complaining to a loved one in a letter than writing to an MP, Solicitor General or Inger Hansen. At least, the loved one will sympathize with him while the others, MP's, etc., write him a "Don't call me; I'll call you" type of letter.

The "Smithsonian" a maga-

zine published by the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. has an article on Swedish prisons which gives an opportunity to compare Swedish prisons with ours and show how much "better" we have it than they do in Sweden.

In maximum security prisons in Sweden, every prisoner has a private room with TV. In our maximum security prisons, every prisoner has a private cell without TV.

In maximum security prisons in Sweden, prisoners eat in spacious dining halls that are equipped with TV. In places like Millhaven, the prisoners eat in their cells which are equipped with open toilets. This is comparable to eating in your bathroom.

In Sweden prisoners have a "pantry" where they can keep private food supplies. In Millhaven a prisoner can be charged if he keeps food



in his cell.

In Sweden, they have an exercise room; in Millhaven, they have a gym but no access to it.

In Sweden, they have "love rooms" where prisoners in maximum security prisons can entertain female visitors privately. Conjugal visits are permitted in all Swedish prisons. In Millhaven, visitors are separated by a thick glass. The prisoners are not allowed any physical contact with their wives, children or loved ones. There is also a large sign which states, "Warning: Your visits may be monitored".

When 15 prisoners escaped from the maximum security prison in Kumla, Sweden, the public was outraged. They turned on prison officials for being too oppressive! They said the prison was too large (it held 485 prisoners) and by the officials isolating the hard-core prisoners, they were guilty of nurturing criminality and encouraging escapes.

escaped from Millhaven, the public was also outraged - at the prisoners! Longer sentences, isolation, more lock-up, the return of capital punishment and stricter discipline were all advocated by the rednecks in Canadian society.

In all of Sweden's prisons, furloughs are granted to prisoners with good behaviour. In Canada, no furloughs are granted in maximum security prisons and good behaviour is only one of many factors in lesser security prisons. The crime committed and what the man did 15 or 20 years previously are more important factors.

The correctional system in Sweden acquired an entire village of 23 cottages so that selected prisoners could bring their families to stay with them for month-long vacations. In Canada, because one prisoner on a back-to-back temporary absence committed a crime, back-to-back passes were discontinued.

In Canada, when 14 prisoners

In one prison in Sweden,



all inmates receive the equivalent in pay that they would receive on the street for performing the same tasks. In Canada, a few inmates in one prison were paid the minimum wage for a certain job and there was a great public outcry. Prisoners had it better than the guy on the street..

Norman Bishop, who has a wide knowledge of other prison systems (the magazines description of Bishop; not mine)said of the Swedes, "They know they don't have less recidivism than other countries just because they send people out faster, but there is no evidence that they have more either". Two-thirds of the prison population serve less than four months in Sweden! Our average is closer to two years.

He further states: "Swedes think that what is humane is necessarily the most effective". Canadians think that what is inhumane is necessarily the most effective.

The Swedish policy is to send a man to prison as close as possible to his home. Instead of being removed from society, prisons

are built in or near urban areas due to the fact that "Swedes take a remarkably tolerant view of their outcasts". Canada's prisons are built in places where it is politically beneficial and Canadians have a remarkably intolerant view of their outcasts.

It is true. We do have different problems than the Swedes but I think I would prefer their "problems" to our own despite the fact that I am being assured by a penitentiary official that prisoners in Canada have it "better" and if we don't care for some type of treatment, we can always write to MP's, the Solicitor - General or Miss Hansen.

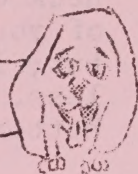
One can't help but have pity for those poor Swedes while basking in our smugness over how much "better" we have it than they do.

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The war on privilege will never end. Its next great campaign will be against the special privileges of the underprivileged.

- H.L. Mencken -

# "It takes one to know one"



by don geauvreau

September is upon us, and, accompanied by sighs of relief, parents across the country are sending their kids off to school again, as they prepare themselves for a respite from the summer holidays. But, hang on folks, it still isn't time to relax, we have a provincial election coming up. The media are saturated with "paid political announcements" extolling the virtues of this or that candidate for public office. Strange, but after awhile, they all sound the same.

I wonder what would happen if one of these candidates was foolish enough (or honest enough) to publicly declare his real reasons for wanting to win an election?

With this thought in mind, I have been fantasizing a campaign speech for an "honest" candidate.

Fasten your seatbelts, here we go!

"Greetings, ladies and gentlemen, my name is Orville Do-Right, and I am here to solicit the support of all you good people in the upcoming election."

"My worthy opponent has served three terms now, and although he hasn't been able to effect any changes, I guess he hasn't hurt anybody much either. However, I feel that he has had a chance to grab more than his share of the goodies, and it is only fair that you give me a chance to get a piece of the action".

"After all, I have friends that need jobs and in-laws who could use some welfare too".

"I also have business associates who require representation to ensure that they will get their share of government business, and continue to avoid taxes."

"I can't promise to do a



heck of a lot more for any of you than my opponent did, but, I certainly can't do less. Besides, my wife is better looking than his."

"If you elect me, after my friends and relatives are taken care of, I might just find time to do a little something for some of you. As I said before, I probably won't do much better than my opponent did, but, I couldn't do any worse, so what have you got to lose?"

"Take a chance on me and I may get the opportunity to spread the action around a bit. See you on election day and thanks for your kind attention.

Sounds crazy, right? But, don't be too quick to laugh. Even with a nick-name like

"Tricky Dicky", Richard M. Nixon was elected to lead the most powerful country in the world! Anything can happen in politics, and usually does.

The man with the smoothest "line" and the most pleasing personality is usually the man who gets elected.

I have lived in three different provinces, under three different political parties and I failed to detect any appreciable difference to the "average" man on the street.

I am not claiming that all politicians are self-serving, however, my police file will show that I have been a hustler and con-artist for most of my life, and to reiterate the title of this masterpiece, "It takes one to know one!"

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Behold the turtle: He makes progress only when he sticks his neck out.

- James Bryant Conant -

Seeing eye dogs make spectacles of themselves.

- Terry Forsythe -

The pen is mightier than the pen.

- Terry Forsythe -



# LEGAL CORNER

by john david prince

In a court of law, it always makes the litigation easier if the parties to the litigation tell the truth. It does not lessen the sanction (unless plea bargaining is used), but it does facilitate the efficacy of the court, and releases the court officials from long trials because of procedure for discovering evidence.

For a number of years, probably since time began, there have been instances where the parties to a case do not tell the truth, nor do they confess to any crimes. Intricate methods were not devised for seeking the truth from actors to the trial, but evidence was gathered by 'questioning' the persons involved in a court case. Mind you, prior to the questioning concept, there were trials by ordeal. The parties involved fought to decide who was guilty, or a person could be put through tests such as carrying hot coals for twenty yards, and if

their hands did not let go of the hot coals, then they would be declared innocent. Other forms of deciding innocence and guilt were introduced to protect the persons who might be innocent, but who would be found guilty because of the ordeal trials. Questioning would take the form of torture, e.g. the rack, burned over a fire, and so on. "Questioning" became very prominent during the World Wars. The Germans' famous Gestapo were quite adept at getting at the truth from those people they 'interviewed'. They used tortures but then they discovered more sophisticated means of acquiring knowledge. They used drugs when questioning someone. An excellent truth getter was scopolamine and mescaline injected into the blood system. Scopolamine is a poison and makes the person delirious. thus breaking down all the defence mechanisms (this drug is used at Penétang Mental Hospital for treatment pur-



poses), and mescaline assists in the persons staying awake for hours and increases the amount of talking the victim will do.

Other drugs commonly used to 'interview' people are sodium penathol and sodium amytal. These drugs put a person into a semi-deep sleep and similiar to hypnosis, the drugged person can be asked questions and will usually tell the truth. These are just a few methods used to question people. The police and other agencies (FBI, CIA, KGB,) use many devices to arrive at the truth. One of these devices. is the so-called lie detector test, the polygraph test.

Millions of people are subjected to the polygraph test, and most are not criminal suspects. Some are industrial or business employees, while others, are job applicants or persons seeking insurance compensations. It is also spreading and gaining a dangerous clout in the criminal justice system in the United States. The rules for allowing the test as evidence are complex. When the pros-

ecution and defence agree to use the polygraph test to examine the accused, the results can be used in the courtroom. The test suggests to the court the innocence, or guilt, of the suspect.

Dr. David Lyken, Professor of Psychology at Minnesota University, stated while addressing the Royal Commission investigating the practices of the Toronto Police Force, that,

"About 37% of people who take lie detector tests either lie, and fool the polygraph, or tell the truth and are made out to be liars."

Roy McMurty, Toronto lawyer, in an article in the Toronto Sun, describes the lie detector test as an erroneous title. The machine, in his opinion, does not measure untruth, but simply measures emotional responses on a graph. On the basis of these graphs, the examiner will express an 'opinion' of the truth or untruth of the responder.

Dr. Lyken describes the process of the polygraph tests as the following:



"The test measures the respiratory rate, blood pressure, and galvanic skin response (the electrical activity of the skin). Where the examination gets its impetus is, that the emotions of the suspect will indicate whether or not, he is telling the truth or lying. When a person knows something about the event, there is usually an emotion that will register on the graph. An example might be the anxiousness of the suspect. This would show on the graph. When the suspect was questioned, and knew something about the event, the graph will pick up the irregularity of the physiological functions."

In Canada, the test is not allowed in court. There is one case, at this writing in the Supreme Court (it may have been decided by now) but so far, the courts have resisted the introduction of this type of test into our court system.

Dr. Lyken claims that a skilled person can fool the polygraph machine. Margie

Cassady gives the following 'formula for fibbing', "Have faith and stay cool".

The frightening point about the lie detector tests is, there are very few qualified persons to conduct the test. In one court case, the Supreme Court Judge found the polygraph examiner to be a 'professional' liar. So we could be faced with the problem, "Who will test the testers?"

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Allan Fotheringham, a newspaper columnist for the Vancouver Sun wrote the following in his column on August 22nd.

"One motorist shot and killed by an off-duty RCMP officer, one woman shot and killed in the B.C. penitentiary, another motorist shot and killed by a policeman in Richmond. The disturbing thing is the lack of public outcry. This is not as civilized a community as I had assumed.

(Probably, the public is too busy trying to get capital punishment returned so that non-police persons charged with murder, will be hung).

# A QUESTION OF ATTITUDE

Terry Forsythe

It would seem that each time we pick up a newspaper these days, we read of certain people demanding that prisons "beef up" their security measures and cut back on inmate privileges, as Otto Jelinek urged recently.

Hand in hand with these are the other group who are equally vociferous in their demands for a return of capital punishment.

As to the first group, who suggest curtailment of prisoners' privileges, and the tightening of security inside the prisons, I consider it safe to say that they know precious little of what security measures are extant in Canadian prisons, and still less about just what are, and are not, considered "privileges" in so far as prison administrators are concerned.

The latter group, (though, of course, there are many "out there" who support both these myopic positions

while quick to protest the accusation that they support capital punishment in order to satiate their blood-lust, (i.e. the 'eye for an eye' principle) contend that their reason for supporting the death penalty is because they believe it to be a definite deterrent to the would be murderer. Yet history clearly illustrates that this line of reasoning is fallacious, for throughout man's history, and regardless of the death penalty, homicides have continued to occur, and these no matter how macabre the method of execution at the time. Whether hanging and quartering, electrocution, stoning, beheading, strangulation or whatever...murderers, still undaunted, continue to murder. Because this is so, it cannot reasonably be argued that the death penalty is in fact a deterrent; and if it is not, then the state that inflicts such a sentence, and the individuals who support that state, do so out of a primeval, uncivilized lust for venge-



ance, and nothing else.

Let us consider both these matters realistically. First off, whatever security measures may be required to assure against escape from out your Canadian Penitentiaries, are given top priority in all prisons across the country, and if it is felt that any "privilege" enjoyed by prisoners threatens this security, that privilege is curtailed toute-suite.

Before any privilege is granted, or even considered, the custodial staff, (i.e. security) is consulted, and if they feel that the granting of the privilege would represent a threat to security, then the privilege is denied...outright!

Thus we see that whatever so-called "privileges" the prisoner is extended in no wise interferes with or lessens the overall security of the prison. Further to this matter of privileges and security, it should be pointed out that the French penal colony in Guinea was for many years the most outrageous, the most oppressive and dehumanizing prison set up in the world, yet escapes, or more properly,

attempted escapes were countless, and some of these were successful; (more indeed than most people realize.) The only thing achieved by this "No privilege sadistic penal system" was a very high rate of murder of prison personnel, as well as of the prisoners themselves. When this abomination that was Devil's Island was finally closed down, and the conditions that prevailed were revealed, the French people protested that they were entirely unaware of them, just as many years later the German people were to maintain that they were ignorant of what was going on at Auschwitz and Belsen; and Dachau; and I for one, believe that neither the French or German people were cognizant of what was happening to people in either Devil's Island, or the concentration camps. I believe this because I know that the Canadian people today have absolutely no idea what is transpiring inside the walls of such prisons as Millhaven, Archambault, or New Westminister, wherein actual atrocities, (as defined in the Geneva Convention) are perpetrated, and regularly perpetrated at that.

Realising as I do, that this is so, I also realise that when people like Jelinek air their naive, empty-headed views concerning Canada's prisons, they are guilty of spouting off about a subject they are entirely in the dark about.

Recently however, two prison guards who resigned their positions at the New Westminister penitentiary, were interviewed in their homes. The context of these interviews, or at least some portion of them was published in the Toronto Star, and from them, we are afforded some insight into the minds and attitudes of prison guards.

These two extremely embittered men, whom the interviewer describes as being without any significant education express their longing for; "the good ol' days", meaning by this the days of corporal and capital punishment, and the curtailment of most, if not all privileges now extended to prisoners.

The one former guard, Mr. Overland stated that the terms capital punishment and corporal punishment, "get me mixed up", but

unable to distinguish which is which.....comes out for both of these. He stated further that: "my children complained about my attitude at home because, I was treating them like prisoners too."

Now I do not feel it is necessary to elaborate on that statement since it more than adequately suggests what type of man Mr. Overland really is, and of how he fails to maintain a proper prospective even in dealing with his own flesh and blood.

Both Mr. Overland and his fellow ex-guard, Mr. Denton go on to tell the Star, that they were in constant fear for their lives. As to this, I would point out that never in my life have I encountered a prison guard who was fair, not "soft" but fair, who entertained any fear for his life. I have however, seen fear written on the faces of many of those among prison staff who were conscious of the fact that they were very unfair, very ruthless and utterly devoid of human feeling when it came to dealing directly with the prison population. For example,



certain among the guards at Millhaven penitentiary, who were regularly involved in indiscriminate gassings and beatings of prisoners in that prison; guards who would go quite out of their way to harass and 'bait' prisoners; even resorting to racist, ethnic slurs so as to get a reaction out of the prisoner, and therefore be provided with an excuse to administer more beatings and more gassings. Such as these certainly fear for their well-being, and their lives....and certainly with very good reason. "As you sow, so shall you reap" pertains not only to we who have broken the law, "out there" but to those who misuse the law while in its employ.

These two ex-guards are also of one mind in the matter of the shooting to death of Mary Steinhauser whom they describe as having been; "Wishywashy", which I have learned from experience, when interpreted into prison guard vernacular means "fair, conscientious, dedicated, humane and progressive."

What we are confronted with here in the persons of Mr.

Overland and Mr. Denton, is a representative attitude, just as in that segment of society that supports capital punishment; we are faced with a particular attitude.

This being the case, we must ask ourselves whether or not these attitudes are just, valid or morally right.

In my opinion, they are in fact not at all just, not at all right, and they are indeed anti-social and criminal in essence - and for the following reasons. If men and women are to be treated as something less than human; as creatures more akin to the beast than to God's handiwork, then those who treat them as such must be prepared for their reacting as such: for as has often been said; if you treat a man like an animal, sooner or later, he will revert to the animal, revert to the bestial, and when this happens, who is to bear the brunt for its having done so? And are not those who are responsible for its happening themselves anti-social?

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# THE 'VOTE': IT WOULD COMPEL THE CPS TO CLEAN UP ITS ACT

by don. geauvreau

The term, "political expediency," is an excellent description in reference to policy decisions concerning government-controlled agencies, mainly the Canadian Penitentiary Service.

From the Solicitor General down, the people who administer the penal system in this country are political appointees. Therefore, they are beholden to the party in power at the time of their appointment. As a result of this situation, the first consideration governing all decisions will be the political implications.

A good administrator, from a political standpoint, is someone who can do the job without losing any votes for the party to whom he is obligated. In other words, play it safe, maintain the status quo and don't rock the boat. But above all else, don't cost the "party" any votes.

The order of priorities, as I see it, is, first, the good of the party, then, the good of society and if there is anything left, do what you can for the "offender". The "offender" is definitely the last consideration.

Sit-ins, strikes, hunger strikes and riots are a desperate attempt on the part of inmates to call attention to the deplorable conditions in some of Canada's prisons but the inmates who become involved in these "incidents" end up facing worse conditions than they started out with in the form of various kinds of punishment. The problem is "prisoners aren't voters", so, ignore them.

There is a group of citizens promoting the idea of a nation-wide prisoners union with bargaining powers. This is, in principle, a marvellous idea, but in my opinion, the powers that



be, will never allow it to happen.

However, there is a way to effect changes in the prison system without the men in prison suffering reprisals.

The answer lies with the wives, sweethearts, parents, relatives and friends of the prisoners. These people do vote.

There are approximately 9,000 inmates in federal prisons alone. If each inmate could get one person to write to the Solicitor General, that would be 9,000 voices raised asking for changes in the prison system. These voices would represent 9,000 votes. There in lies the answer, "political expediency".

The only time we will see any progress is when the "man" is convinced that he will win more votes than he will lose by making some meaningful changes in policy. If he is made aware that to gain political support, he must use the tax dollar for other purposes than to build "new cages for the animals", he will act accordingly.

It is time to let the Solicitor General know that while we don't have the power of the ballot, our friends and loved ones do. A reminder could work wonders.

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#### PENALTY OF THE LAW

(From an Act of the British Parliament - 1770)

That all women of whatever age, rank, profession or degree, whether virgin maid or widow, that shall from & after such Act impose upon, seduce and betray into matrimony any of His Majesty's subjects by means of scent, paints, cosmetics, washes, artificial teeth, false hair, Spanish wool, iron stays, hoops, high-heeled shoes or bolstered hips, shall incur the penalty of the law now in force against witchcraft, and that the marriage upon conviction shall stand null and void.

(After looking at the women of today, it is apparent that severe punishment was no more of a deterrent then than it is today.

# CANADA'S PAROLE SYSTEM: Costly, Cruel, and Ineffective.

(Reprint from the Globe & Mail)

Canada's parole system is costly, cruel and ineffective, according to a study by an Osgoode Hall law School professor.

At the price of more than \$10 million for the past fiscal year, parole directly reduces time spent in prison by 9.9 per cent over-all.

This saving of prison time, with the price of a year in prison estimated at \$13,368, may be more than lost if judges add to the length of prison sentences to compensate for the possible effect of parole.

Without including the claimed indirect effect, the study estimates a year in jail to be 8.4 more costly than a year on parole.

While unable to produce statistics to prove this indirect factor, Professor Michael Mandel points to an earlier study that showed nearly 60 per cent of Ontario judges admitted that they consciously added to a person's sentence to take

parole into account. He argues this practice has been authorized in recent Appeal Court decisions in Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia.

Lengthening a sentence was once condoned by the higher courts as realistic, keeping the prisoner's rehabilitation in mind. It is only natural, the study says, that a judge would adjust the sentence assigned to cover possible future reductions. The parole board can always step in if the sentence seems too severe at a later date.

Behind that approach lies another tempting rationalization for longer sentences, the study suggests, quoting Norval Morris, dean of the University of Chicago Law School, in his book *The Future of Imprisonment*.

"One latent purpose of the division of power between judge and parole board is to give the possibility of some clemency while appearing to the public eye to be



imposing a more severe punishment."

(Dr. Morris spoke against the use of parole at this summer's Bar Association meeting in Montreal. There, he quoted U.S. studies that indicate parole boards actually lengthens the time spent in prison rather than reduce it.)

If even half the judges increased sentences of 20 per cent or if there were a total increase of 11 per cent in sentences, it would eliminate any saving derived from the use of parole, the study says.

If this is true, the justifications for parole offered by other Canadian researchers - that the cost of new prisons and overcrowding may be avoided - are invalid.

The real costs may not be economic ones, the study suggests, but rather the unmeasurable human cost of anxiety, fear, loss of dignity, excessively limited freedom, uncertainty of one's future - these are the pains a parole system brings with it, and they must be justified."

In the discretion of the parole board, and at in-camera meetings, the prisoner finds his total personality - his general industry, conduct, behavior and attitude under scrutiny. As the study says, "at all costs and no matter what provocation, he must avoid giving offence to anyone in a position of the slightest authority who might have an input into the parole decision."

Research has shown that nearly a third of the prisoners in Ontario agree that parole causes worry before release, and depression and bitterness after an unsuccessful application.

Four California prisoners put it this way:

"The people on the board are God and they know it. They have you in their hands. They control your salvation, your heaven and your hell."

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Persecution is not wrong because it is cruel; it is cruel because it is wrong.

- Richard Whately -

## HERE & THERE

On Labor Day week-end, 68 people were killed in Canada in traffic accidents. There wasn't one editorial comment or one letter to the editor in any of the newspapers raising an outcry.

Instead, front and inside pages of the newspapers were filled with stories mourning the death of a dog!

It now becomes clear what is meant by the term "a sick society".

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In San Francisco, the police went out on strike to back their demands for a pay raise. After the Mayor's home was bombed, he overruled city council and gave the police their pay raise.

Law and Order, anyone?

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After B.C. Provincial Court Judge Philip Govan ordered the three men charged in the B.C. penitentiary hos-

tage taking episode be transferred to Cakalla prison because of their claims of mistreatment at the B.C. penitentiary, Norman Mullins, federal justice department counsel, complained to the Vancouver Sun, "Why does the judge accept the wild statements of these people. Hasn't he read the newspapers about who these people are?"

I guess the judge was more interested in the facts than what was written in the newspapers.

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A former Vancouver policeman was sentenced to one year in jail for the theft of \$301,000.

Policemen always receive a ridiculously low sentence when they are convicted of breaking the law. Shouldn't it be the exact opposite? They have sworn to uphold the law and betrayed a trust.

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People in favor of capital punishment apparently will go to any lengths to achieve their goal. Having tried nearly every method possible, they have finally reached a new low. They are using small children to carry signs calling for the return of capital punishment. Now that a police dog has been killed in North Bay, watch for the Humane Society to get into the act.

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Nearly every Provincial government holds lotteries. The Province of Quebec has weekly and monthly ones and are now talking about purchasing a ship and turning it into a floating casino.

Meanwhile, an amendment to the Criminal Code is going to be introduced in the House of Commons by Otto Lang, the Justice Minister, whereby if you lay a bet on a horse for a friend, you can be charged with book-making and if convicted, can be sentenced to jail for up to two years.

Here is another case of "Don't do what I do but do what I say - or else".

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The chairman of the Parole Board, William Outerbridge, told the police chief's association that "it raises the hair on the back of my neck" when some prisoners charged with violent crimes are released on mandatory parole.

The chairman does not like the idea of prisoners being credited with one-third of their sentence off for "good time", even though these prisoners have to serve this portion of their sentence on mandatory parole.

A study that had been made and had been reported in the Globe and Mail just a few days previous to Mr. Outerbridge's speech, revealed that nearly 60% of Ontario Judges admitted that they consciously added to a person's sentence to take parole into account.

Therefore, the prisoner is already serving his full sentence even before he gets paroled because of the added sentence he has received from the judge.

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If penitentiaries are now institutions, why is Mr. Andre Therrien called the Commissioner of Penitentiaries?

# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

## ACROSS

- 1) Motorcycle
- 4) Overrun
- 9) Compromise
- 14) Mountain
- 15) Embankment
- 16) Climbing Pepper Plant
- 17) Bite
- 18) ... Gershwin
- 19) Pronoun (plural)
- 21) Musical Note
- 22) Mend
- 24) Combining form meaning stationary
- 25) Night flyer
- 26) Exist
- 27) Cease
- 28) .... Dunaway
- 29) Factual
- 31) Distance
- 32) Deface

- 33) Compress
- 34) Sharpen
- 35) Confuse
- 38) Pronoun
- 39) Seven (French)
- 40) Comfort
- 41) In Progress
- 42) Snuggle
- 44) Axe
- 45) Lightning ...
- 46) Girl's name
- 47) Stay
- 48) Baseball Team
- 49) At a distance
- 51) Neat
- 52) Bandleader ... Brown
- 53) Counter
- 54) Container
- 55) Catlike
- 58) Okay
- 59) Opening
- 60) Girl's nickname

## August Crossword

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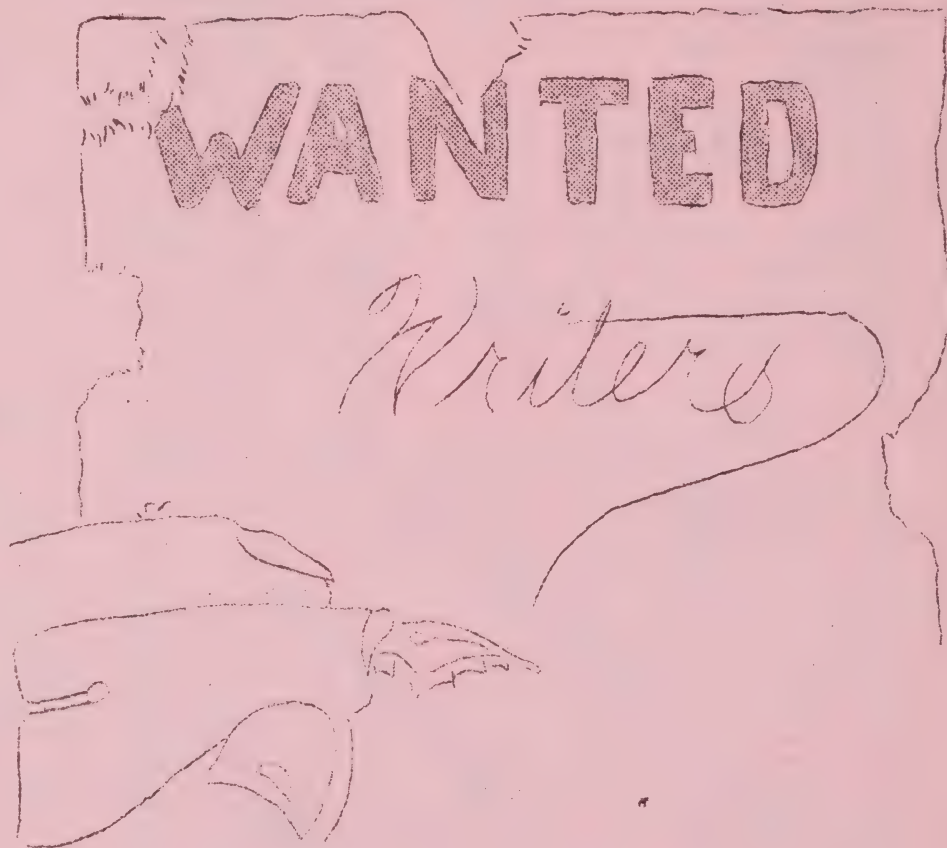
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- 27) Cue
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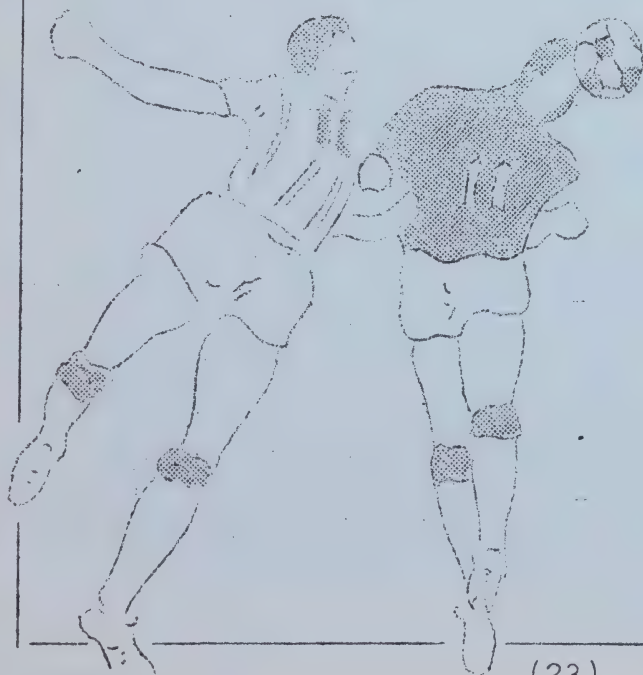
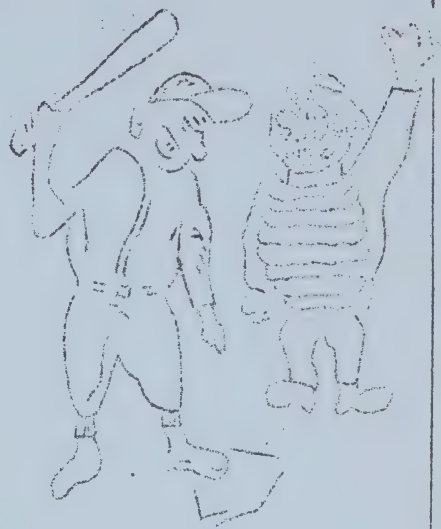


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# SPORTS



# VIKINGS Win Major League Championship

by Wayne Hurlburt

After losing the first three games to the "A's", the Vikings, as unpredictable as the New York Islanders are in hockey, came up with a team effort, backed by the strong pitching of Teddy Woods, and defeated the "A's", in game four by the score of 7-3.

There weren't many people who expected the series to go past four games. In fact, the "A's" had discreetly made up a sign proclaiming their superiority.

Game number five was forfeited to the Vikings after the "A's", trailing 4-0 in the fifth inning, turned the game into a travesty.

Game number six was a high-scoring, entertaining ball game which was won by the Vikings 9-7 and tied the series at three games each, setting the stage for the important seventh and deciding game.

Running true to the form of the New York Islanders, the Vikings played another good game and defeated the "A's" 5-2 and thereby won the championship.

In the final game, Danny Patterson, who patrols left field for the Vikings, led the offense with a home run and three RBI's. Ron Tweedale and Art Cooper also homered for the Vikings. Defensive standouts for the winners were the battery of Teddy Woods and Dave Thurston and 3rd baseman Dennis Fitzgerald. The entire team saved their best game for when it really counted.

Rene Pilon went the distance for the "A's" striking out 16 Vikings. Layton Elijah hit what looked like the longest home run of the year, one bounce off the wall in right field to score one of the "A's" runs and Robbie Robinson tripled, driving in Don Parliament



with the "A's" other run.

The final game of the series was one of the best games of the season.

Congratulations to the Vikings and winning manager, Sandy Allen.

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# COLLINS BAY CONGRESS

The annual Collins Bay Baseball Congress was held on Saturday, September 6th. Participating were the C.B. Saints, Ace Motors-Teachers and Coffee Plus of the Circle Softball league and Shoppers Sentry, a team from the City Fastball League.

In the morning game, the Saints played Shoppers Sentry and were defeated 6-1. Manager Stu Carr of the Saints didn't start his ace hurler Ted Woods because of Woods having been forced to pitch a nine-inning game,

on Friday night. He elected to start Don Parliament, who gave it a good try, but who had five runs scored against him in two innings before giving way to Woods in the second inning. Woods held Shoppers Sentry to one run over the last five innings but the Saints were unable to get more than one run off of Sentry hurler, Phil Litchfield.

Dennis Fitzgerald scored the only run for the Saints when he hit a home run.

The afternoon game was a real squeaker which was won by Ace Motors-Teachers by the score of 1-0 over Coffee Plus.

Winning pitcher Dave Doucette limited Coffee Plus to three hits. Fred Leduc, Coffee Plus pitcher also gave up three hits.

The winning run was scored in the top of the 6th inning. Catcher Tom Carty led off with a single but was forced out at second by the next batter, 2nd baseman Les Forkes who hit into a fielders choice. Forkes was sacrificed to second by the left fielder, Herb Doucette and then winning pitcher Dave Doucette hit a single

to drive Herb Doucette in with the winning run. The centre fielder, Bernie Anderson struck out to end the inning.

In the bottom of the ninth inning, with two men out, Blaine Tackaberry pinch-hit for right fielder Howard Sanders and singled so that the tying run was on first base. Coffee Plus then had Randy Stewart pinch-hit for pitcher Fred Leduc. Stewart hit a single but Tackaberry was thrown out sliding into third base.

To help strengthen their team, Ace Motors -Teachers had added Herb Doucette of Lakeview Manor. Coffee Plus added Circle Softball All-Star catcher, Brian Murphy from Lakeview Manor and Tom Cashman from Verona.

The game that was played at night was between the two winners, Shoppers Sentry and Ace Motors-Teachers. Shoppers Sentry won the toss and were the home team.

Ace Motors-Teachers won the nightcap and the Wardens Trophy by defeating Shoppers Sentry 6-3.

Catcher Tom Carty with a

single and a home run and left fielder, Herb Doucette, with a single and a triple, were the offensive leaders for Ace Motors-Teachers.

Catcher Dave Gavel hit a single and a double for Shoppers Sentry.

The Sentry team added Billy Carr, a pitcher for Portsmouth Olympics of the Circle Softball League to their roster for the night game but didn't use him until the bottom of the seventh inning as a pinch-hitter.

Winning pitcher Dave Doucette gave up five hits while his teammates got seven hits off of losing pitcher, Phil Litchfield.

Congratulations go to the winners, Ace Motors-Teachers and their manager, Bruce Black.

The Baseball Banquet which is going to be held on Sat. October 4th, hopes to have Ace Motors-Teachers as our guests.

A special thanks to Midge Pallister, Norm Gerrard and Beep McCluskey who umpired all three games.



Every newspaper picks all-star teams in hockey, baseball and football. Their selections are not official, but, are just an opinion. The AVATAR staff have chosen the following players, who in their opinion, were the All-Stars in the Major and Minor Leagues in the 1975 Baseball season.

### MAJOR LEAGUE ALL-STARS

<u>Position</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>
Catcher	Dave Thurston	Vikings
Pitcher	Teddy Woods	Vikings
1st Base	Don Geauvreau	Yankees
2nd Base	Ron Tweedale	Vikings
3rd Base	Dennis Fitzgerald	Vikings
Shortstop	Wayne Hurlburt	Yankees
Left Field	Danny Patterson	Vikings
Centre Field	Paul Perron	Yankees
Right Field	Paul Harper	"A's"
Most Valuable Player - Wayne Hurlburt - Yankees		
Best Pitcher	- Teddy Woods -	Vikings
Rookie of the Year	- Gary Barnes -	Vikings
Most Gentlemanly Player (Tie)	- Paul Harper -	"A's"
	- Danny Patterson -	Vikings

## MINOR LEAGUE ALL-STARS

<u>Position</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>
Catcher	Chuck Saunders	Expos
Pitcher	Bobby Young	Expos
1st Base	J.P. Sundstrom	Pirates
2nd Base	"Jersey" Knott	Expos
3rd Base	Kirk Peters	Dodgers
Shortstop	Leo Latendresse	Pirates
Left Field	Marty Monague	Dodgers
Centre Field	Dave Humphries	Expos
Right Field	Tommy Fraser	Pirates

Most Valuable Player - Bobby Young - Expos

Rookie of the Year - "Speedy" Bain - Dodgers

Most Gentlemanly Player - Ray Leroux - Dodgers

Best Pitcher - Bobby Young - Expos



tom harlan  
terry forsythe  
don geauvreau



- poetry and prose -

## GRIM CAROUSEL

People who are sent to prison become convicts;  
While they remain convicts they are not reformed,  
but they are punished;  
This leads to their being 'rehabilitated',  
which means;  
"Returned to their former status",  
which status,  
Led to their becoming convicts in the first place,  
So-o-o-o,  
Guess who's coming to dinner Mr. & Mrs. Society...

T. Forsythe.



## MAIL IN CONFINEMENT

she sent me a card the other day  
it was a picture of a guy committing suicide.

along with the card, she sent a letter.  
she said, "having a wonderful time,  
the summer is so nice".

along with the card and the letter,  
she sent a picture of herself,  
staring lovingly from gloss,  
a look of pity.

along with the card and the letter and the picture  
she sent anguish, despair and loneliness.

- tom harlan -

## SHADOWY AFFAIR ON PARLIAMENT STREET

Bunny and I stood talking in the sun,  
Our shadows intertwined, becoming one;  
Two phantom lovers, black upon the ground...  
Or so it seemed, but when I turned around,  
She was gone; and the sun, awed by her radiance  
Hid behind a cloud...shamefaced;  
Thus ending our affair...forever.

T. Forsythe.

## RIGHTEOUS SOCIETY

always being pushed around by the  
righteous people  
in the name of society  
i didn't make this  
society  
i didn't make the laws  
that govern me in this  
society  
what man on this earth has the right to  
judge me  
he must first prove that HE is pure  
and one with the universe  
not to me but  
to the powers of heaven.

people of this western  
society  
claimed to be followers of Jesus  
and the Holy Bible  
are you forgetting what God told you  
He has the supreme right of  
punishment on his people  
"THOU SHALT NOT BE THY BROTHER'S KEEPER"  
you cannot follow your own beliefs  
yet you condemn mine  
best you should burn all the bibles  
than to misinterpret the wisdom within.

- tom harlan -



## THE PEASANT AND THE KING

The peasant on the street,  
Washing his old Chevrolet.  
Along came the King,  
In a Cadillac of gold and grey.

"Greetings", said the King,  
"How is life treating you?"  
The peasant looked up and said,  
"Why, what are you going to do?"

The peasant's lady stood in the door,  
In the glow of the setting sun.  
The King saw her, and said to himself,  
"I must have this lovely one".

"Your lady," said the King,  
"Is very, very fine,  
Send her down to see me,  
And I'll make it worth her time".

"Listen carefully", replied the peasant,  
"I dislike these words you say,  
Take your money and leave,  
While you still can get away".

At that moment, the Jester came  
And viewed this ugly scene.  
"You may think you are King", said he,  
"But the peasant has a Queen".

The King became enraged,  
His eyes turned ugly and red.  
He hurried to his Cadillac,  
And down the street he fled.

Now, gather 'round, my friends,  
Pay heed to the words I say,  
If you try to buy love at night,  
You'll hate yourself next day.

Sure, the King has cars and money  
And several fancy dames,  
But every time he turns his head,  
They call him dirty names.

The peasant has only one woman,  
But that's all he needs you see,  
For she makes him feel like a king,  
With a love that will last 'til eternity.

When you awaken at sunrise,  
And your lady makes your heart sing,  
Who would you rather be?  
The peasant? Or the King?

- Don. Geauvreau -

# JOKE PAGE

As part of a clean-up campaign, the mayor of New York set up a special trash can in Times Square and had it wired for sound. A small transmitter-receiver was hidden in the can, with an operator with a mike stationed in a window overlooking the square.

Several intrigued reporters were watching when a lady threw an old newspaper on the sidewalk. The trash can admonished her, "That's not the way to keep New York clean, lady. What's your name?"

The lady shot a startled look at the can, then snapped, "I don't talk to trash cans" - and strode away.

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From a rural district of England comes the story of a driver of a small sedan braking hastily as the tweedy mistress of the largest estate thereabouts came hurtling around a sharp bend in the narrow road in her large Rolls.

Before he could say a word, she shouted "PIG" and drove on. "Fat old Cow," he cried after her in retaliation.

Then he drove around the bend himself - and crashed head-on into the biggest pig he had ever seen.

\*\*\*\*\*

An English hunter was beating his way through the thick bushes when he suddenly came upon a lovely girl taking a sun bath. "A thousand pardons and all that sort of thing," he stammered. "I'm looking for game." The girl smiled and said, "I'm game." So he shot her.

\*\*\*\*\*

The pilot of the big jetliner was sailing along on the automatic controls but had forgotten to turn off the intercom. Relaxing in his seat, he remarked amiably to the co-pilot, "All I need now is a cup of hot coffee, some cookies, and a



beautiful blonde." The passengers perked up, several registered astonishment, and a young stewardess rushed forward to tell the crew the intercom was on. As she opened the door to the forward section, a sweet old lady pulled at her skirt and reminded her, "You forgot the cookies and coffee."

\*\*\*\*\*

A plane was soaring through the air at 600 miles per hour when one motor conked out, then a second, then a third, leaving only the fourth one functioning. That is the moment when the pilot stepped out of the cockpit, his parachute harnessed to his uniform, to reassure the passengers, "Not a thing to worry about folks! I'm on my way down to seek help".

\*\*\*\*\*

A Newfoundlander returned home from a country fair with a large sparkling diamond ring. "Do you reckon that that diamond is genuine?" asked his wife. "If it ain't," answered the husband, "I've been stung out of a dollar and a half."

\*\*\*\*\*

A lush went into a bar and told the bartender that he could name the ingredients in any drink made. The barkeep didn't believe him so they made a bet. Blindfolding the lush so he couldn't see what was going on, the bartender threw a dozen various liquors into a beer glass, stirred them up and gave it to the lush. He tasted it and named exactly what the drink contained.

The bartender was amazed and bet the lush he couldn't do it again. This time he handed the lush a glass of plain water. The lush tasted it a couple of times and said, "You've got me, pal, but I bet you don't sell much of it."

\*\*\*\*\*

An award-winning football coach devoted part of the off-season teaching his six year old son the art of field-goal kicking. One day he got down on his knees, placed the ball meticulously, then ordered, "Now, when I nod my head, KICK IT"

And that's how the coach lost his two front teeth.

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EPITAPH FOR CLOUD 11  
(a bit of doggerel)

Terry Forsythe

Felled in the line of duty by gunman's rod,  
You've gone to that happy dog-house in the sky;  
Remembering that the reverse of dog is God,  
We bless the ground beneath which you now lie.  
  
Nothing about you was lacking or defective,  
Afforded the chance you might have made detective;  
So here's to your doggedness and your prowess nasal!  
You had a bigger send-off than King Faisal.

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As for the supporters of capital punishment, are not they indeed murderers of a kind, when by virtue of their support of capital punishment, they condone and sanction the taking of human life for no other reason than that of blind vengeance?

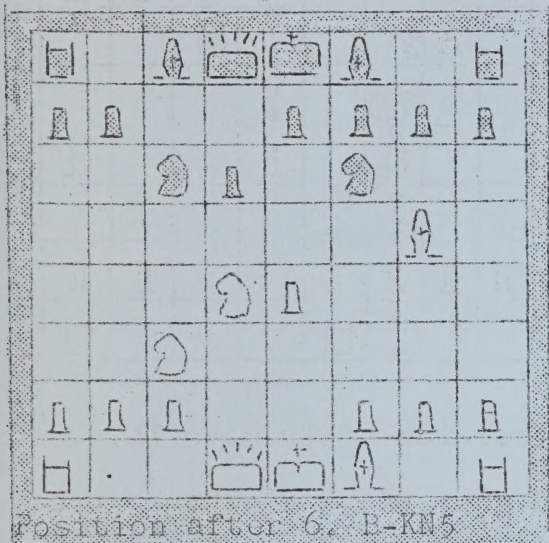
Attitudes, these are what we must contend with; these are what must be changed. If the Bonnie & Clydes, and the Lt. Calleys were guilty of sadism, guilty of murder, then the dispassionate, purposeless murder of the individual by the State are guilty also.

Until these attitudes are recognized for what they really are; until they are changed and discarded, we will continue to be faced with the age old problem of man's inhumanity to man, and the resultant evils that arise therefrom.



## Chess Corner

by Terry Dineen



Position after 6. B-KN5

As is the norm, there are several quite playable variations, for both players, but the most spectacular is one in which White castles Queen-side and follows with a go-for-broke pawn assault on the Black King. (Vince tried this particular attack in a game we had yesterday, but discovered that the Richter really has a bark much worse than its bite, and while it prevents the fianchetto, it doesn't do much else.

Anyway, the Richter runs like this:

- |          |       |
|----------|-------|
| 1. P-K4  | P-QB4 |
| 2. N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3. P-Q4  | PxP   |
| 4. NxP   | N-B3  |
| 5. N-QB3 | P-Q3  |
| 6. B-KN5 | ...   |

The identifying move of the Richter.

## The Richter Attack.

The Richter attack evolved as a 'defense' against the Sicilian Dragon Defence, which sounds rather strange but chess is known for its eccentricities.

The attack is characterized by B-KN5 (Move 6) made in order to prevent the fianchetto of the Black King Bishop. Were White to advance his Knight pawn in preparation to fianchetto, the White Bishop takes the Black Knight doubling Black's King Bishop Pawns.

If Black now plays P-KN3, White will follow BxN and Black, forced to capture with his king Pawn, effectively destroys his King side pawn defences. White's continuation then is castling long and storming the weakened Black King-side with his pawns.



6. ... P-K3

Giving his Knight the protection of his Queen to prevent doubling of the Pawns.

7. Q-Q2 ...

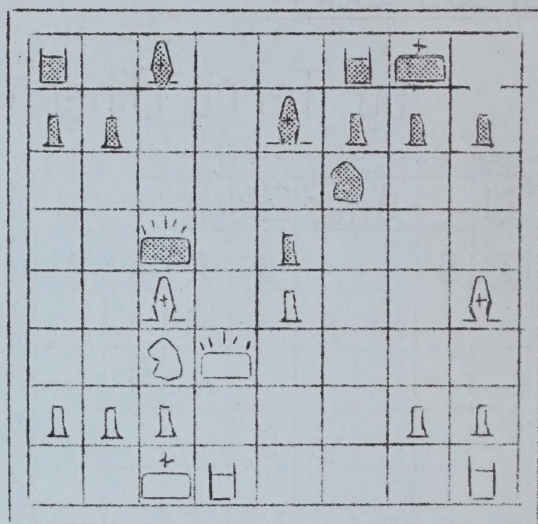
This attacking move was initiated by a player named Rauzer and, in conjunction with 6. B-KN5 is responsible for the name Richter-Rauzer attack in this line. (I know that names are not everything, but I do believe I would prefer playing and perhaps losing with the Sicilian Dragon than winning with "Richter-under-the-direction-of-Rauzer").

7. ... Q-R4  
8. O-O-O NxN  
9. QxN O-O  
10. B-QB4 ...

From here the line shoots off into a series of variations, beginning with 10 P-B4. Most enable Black a marked advantage, which is probably why White generally avoids the Pawn move.

10. ... Q-R4  
11. P-B4 P-KR3  
12. B-R4 P-K4  
13. PxP PxP  
14. Q-Q3 Q-B4

The position is approximately



Position after move 14.

even; the R-R attack prevented the use of the Dragon formation but failed to prevent Black from equalizing.

Still there have been efforts made to forestall the Richter attack. Foremost is by the move 2 ... N-QB3 instead of 2 ... P-Q3. Of the variations based on this concept, most tend toward even games.

The Richter-Rauzer prevents the natural development of the Dragon Sicilian, but the alternatives for Black are good.

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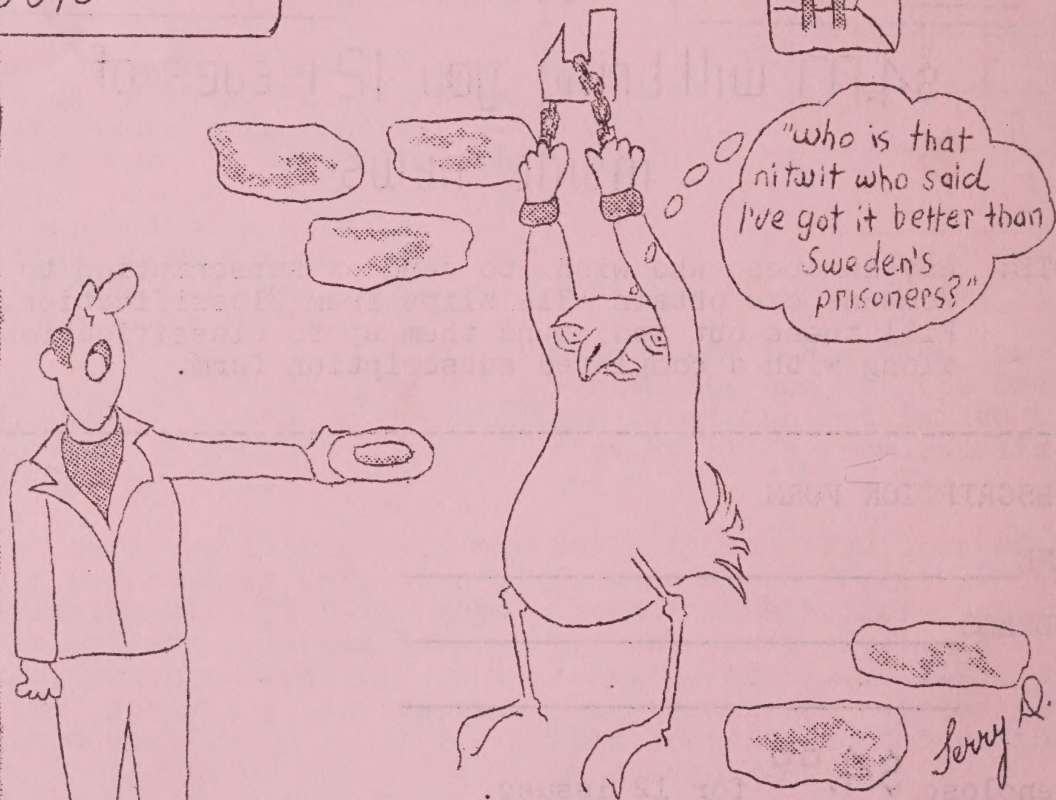


Canada 8



Canada 6

Loke



"Since you missed a Sunday, you should  
consider donating more as a penance."

